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**Amendments to the abstract**

Please replace the abstract with the following paragraph:

A variable optic attenuator has a mount with two bores in a longitudinal direction. The two bores respectively retain an input and output optic fibers. A passage transects the two bores, and two mirrors are respectively located at the intersection thereof. A stepping motor drives a carrier with a variable neutral density filter mounted thereon moving between the two mirrors in the longitudinal direction. The carrier is coupled to a variable electric resistor for generating a feedback signal for controlling the stepping motor.